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SUBJECT: EC CHEESE AND COUNTERVAILING DUTIES

REF: LONDON 3530

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARIES ENDERS AND HARTMAN

1. AT EPB MEETING MORNING MARCH 7 STATE POSITION TO TEST OUT EC SYSTEM DID NOT CARRY. SIMON SAID HE HAD DECIDED TO COUNTERVAIL BUT ACCEPTED DECISION TAKEN BY EPB TO OFFER EC OPPORTUNITY TO AGAIN SUSPEND RESTITUTION PAYMENTS AND ATTEMPT WORK OUT NEW SYSTEM ACCEPTABLE TO U.S. WHILE PAYMENTS SUSPENDED. SHOULD EC BE UNWILLING OR UNABLE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SUSPEND RESTITUTION PAYMENTS, U.S. WILL IMPOSE COUNTER-

VALING DUTIES. MAXIMUM TIME FOR EC DECISION THIS MATTER IS ONE WEEK AT OUTSIDE. TREASURY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAVID R. MACDONALD WILL VISIT BRUSSELS, PROBABLY MONDAY, MARCH 10, TO CONVEY EPB DECISION TO EC.

2. WE ARE SENDING MEMO TO PRESIDENT URGING STATE POSITION THAT WE TEST PRESENT EC SYSTEM TO SEE IF IT CAN ACCOMMODATE TO OUR REQUIREMENTS BEFORE CVDS IMPOSED, BUT BELIEVE CHANCES SLIM FOR ANY REVERSAL AT THIS POINT. WE WILL

INFORM EC BRUSSELS OF MACDONALD'S PLANS WHEN THEY BECOME MORE DEFINITE.

3. ABOVE DECISION TAKEN PRIOR RECEIPT YOUR SECTO 53. INGERSOLL CALLING SIMON IN ATTEMPT HAVE DECISION CHANGED TO REFLECT YOUR POSITION. INGERSOLL

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